

FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE TRUSTEES

Mass.
OF

THE STATE FARM

AT

BRIDGEWATER,

INCLUDING THE

REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND MEDICAL
DIRECTOR,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1897.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT.

To His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council.

The Board of Trustees of the State Almshouse and State Farm, in accordance with the provisions of section 3, chapter 88 of the Public Statutes, herewith present their forty-fourth annual report, which, with the reports of the superintendent and medical director, herein submitted, shows the condition of the State Farm at Bridgewater for the financial year ending Sept. 30, 1897.

Under the provisions of chapter 68 of the Acts of 1897, the sum of \$127,400 was appropriated for the payment of salaries, wages and labor, and for other current expenses at said institution for the present calendar year. For a detailed statement of the expenditure of the same see report of the superintendent, hereto annexed, which has been examined and verified by the trustees.

The various improvements authorized to be made at the Asylum for Insane Criminals under chapter 56 of the Resolves of 1897, also for the erection of a new prison building authorized under chapter 57, are in process of construction and will be completed during the coming year.

In the reports of the superintendent and medical director, hereto annexed, will be found the total number of inmates admitted to the institution the past year, the per capita expense, also full information, statistical and otherwise, in relation to the condition and management of the institution in all its departments.

In accordance with the provisions of law, certain suggestions and recommendations for legislative action will be found in the

reports of the superintendent and medical director, the same having been examined and approved by the trustees.

The farm is under the usual state of cultivation. The hay crop has been abundant and harvested in good condition. The vegetable and other crops have been fairly up to the average, with the exception of potatoes, which, as in many other localities, have been a failure.

In the workshop, inmates who are able to perform labor have been employed in chair-seating, as formerly; sewing, tailoring and cobbling are carried on to a limited extent.

The institution buildings are in excellent condition and well adapted to the purposes for which they were erected, and are substantially fire-proof.

The annual inventory, as required under section 7, chapter 79 of the Public Statutes, has been taken, and an appraisal made of the real and personal property connected with the institution and belonging to the Commonwealth, by George E. Doane, Esq., of Middleborough, whose report is hereto annexed.

In closing this report the trustees take the opportunity to place upon record their appreciation of the valuable services rendered by H. M. Blackstone as superintendent during the fourteen years of his administration, and at the close of the present financial year find that the institution, under his management, continues to maintain its usual high standard in all its departments.

Dr. Arthur H. Harrington, who has held the position as medical director of the criminal insane department for the past three years, has shown himself to be fully qualified by character, ability and experience to discharge the responsible duties of his position.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of the State Farm.

I herewith submit the following report of the State Farm for the year ending Sept. 30, 1897.

This year closes with the unfailing record of growth of each succeeding year unbroken. There were remaining in the institution Sept. 30, 1896, a total of 1,043 inmates; Sept. 30, 1897, a total of 1,121 inmates, in divisions as follows:—

Male prisoners 615, an increase of	53	
Female prisoners 33, an increase of	17	
Male paupers 145, a decrease of		18
Female paupers 3, an increase of	1	
Male insane 325, an increase of	25	
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Net increase, 78.

It will be noticed that the increase has been in the two criminal and larger departments,—the workhouse and asylum. The pauper department shows a slight decrease, and is only about one-eighth of the whole institution census. Although somewhat insignificant in comparative numbers, it is an important and necessary part of the whole; but its presence here, with our limited opportunity for separation from prisoners, is more or less of a nuisance to all concerned. With the occasional overflow transfer from Tewksbury eliminated, the State paupers who come here would be simply those applying for relief in south-eastern Massachusetts,—the cities of Fall River, New Bedford, Taunton and Brockton, and the towns of Plymouth, Bristol and Barnstable counties. Much the larger number of such applicants are sick and infirm, and require more than ordinary almshouse relief. Many of them need at once the medical aid and care of a well-appointed hospital, and any reorganization of this department necessarily includes the

care of the sick and helpless in the hospital wards of the institution; the remainder of said class, including oftentimes able-bodied men, who are, in fact, vagrants, and should, I believe, be provided for in about such measure as they can, by personal effort, contribute to their own care, ought in some way to be separated from prison association, and, under present conditions, necessarily prison direction. Individually many of them are alternately pauper and prisoner, and require even greater restraint than many of the latter class; but as a class they should be separated, and relieve the few worthy men of a real or fancied hardship. I do not know but the prison class would also plead even greater hardship. Of one fact I am certain, that the management suffer an unmistakable burden in the association of the two, and any measure which effects their separation will be cordially welcome.

In our two last reports I have urged the passage of the indeterminate sentence law for the workhouse cases. I can do little else than again suggest its enactment. With this form of sentence is coupled the marking system, by which the prisoner works out his own destiny for the time being at least, — and if for the time being, why not for the future? The prisoner's safe care and employment in the absence of industrial activity will be a problem requiring something more than the mere wearing out of a sentence day by day. Nothing can be more detrimental to the healthful well-being of the prisoner, physically and morally, than to hum-drum away his time day by day, half employed in some lifeless, trumped-up task or duty in which he absolutely has no interest beyond time-killing, and no incentive but to worry out an exact number of days, months or years. The recommendation for this form of sentence was one of the many included in the report of the "Special Commission," and perhaps for that reason did not receive separate consideration when the other matters of our report were disposed of. Within the ensuing year the three hundred prison rooms now under way will be completed and occupied, — a condition both convenient and opportune to inaugurate the new system of sentence. I think I can safely assume that a large majority of the district and police court magistrates would favor this form of sentence for the offences committed to this institution, and I urge earnest endeavor on our part to secure

its enactment by the next Legislature. The limitations and restrictions placed upon prison labor at the last session of the General Court precludes any anxiety on the part of prison officials to attempt industrial development in the manufacture of merchandise as a total or partial self-support of the institutions. Chair-caning as an occupation or employment was exempted from the provisions of the bill; and, though the earnings in this pursuit are nominally nothing, I do not see how we could get on without it as a means of discipline, if nothing more.

The Asylum for Criminal Insane is now full, numbering 325 patients. If there was not a prospect of lessening this number by transfer to Medfield of some of the older non-criminal cases, the department would be at once confronted with the necessity of substantial enlargement. Not all of the space vacated by the non-criminals will be available, or safe for the class of criminals (mostly convicts) now being committed. The older wings of the plant are not adapted, or sufficiently secure, for the reception and care of the criminal and convict cases. Whether they can be remodelled for such patients without too great waste is an open question; this or some other provision is inevitable. I am aware that it might be said that our institution up to date has been one asking for extension of one department or another almost yearly, and the desire for enlargement was becoming chronic; but the evolution of the criminal insane question develops in its progress its own needs, and such as they are we conceive it to be our plain duty to record. The criminal and convict insane brought together as a class under one roof, so to speak, presents a problem whose solution cannot ignore restraints of the strong and stalwart kind. Their safety and security are the corner-stones of their care, and whoever neglects or subordinates this principle will be guilty of grave error and offence to public safety. The commitments the past year have been largely convicts, — 56 of the 62 committed here have been transferred from the prisons. Comment as to their character is unnecessary. The necessities of the hour are: first, safe care; second, treatment for mental and physical disorder.

The increasing demands for milk as a food product in the asylum, infirmary and hospital wards require more milk stock

and a new barn. More barn space is also needed for the storage of hay and other farm products.

The farm now numbers 551 acres, and is fast approaching a plant of high cultivation. Three hundred and fifteen acres are free of stone and under cultivation as hay and crop land. The excessive wet season and almost total failure of the most important staple crop of potatoes will be severely felt the coming year. The harvest is some 4,000 bushels short of our plans and expectations, and the scant crop of less than 2,000 bushels stored is in such poor condition from decay that this staple, comparatively speaking, is a failure. But few of the table crops have been up to the standard of the past years, on account of the exceptionally wet and backward season. Hay was especially *heavy*. Over 400 tons of feed has been stored and nearly 300 tons are good English hay.

The failure of the potato crop here and in the country generally will be markedly apparent in our expenses the coming year, also in a heavy falling off in farm credits. It is difficult to accurately draw the exact line between "farming" and "improvements" in our divisions of labor for the purpose of farm book-keeping; but, admitting our efforts to be reasonably correct, we are pleased to announce a comfortable balance in favor of the farm.

My attention has been called during the year to the excellent results of water filtration in the city of Lawrence. I am satisfied that the best solution of pure water supply for this institution will be found in the sand and gravel filtration installed under plans and conditions similar to one in Lawrence, and believe we should ask an appropriation for the construction of one at our pumping station, taking the supply, as now, from the Taunton River.

The demands of our electric light plant are in excess of our original plans and purposes. Their convenience of operation increases the demand for plenty of light, and the more we indulge the luxury the more we wonder how we got on without it. I am now a confirmed disciple of the divine injunction, "Let there be light." The 300 cells now being built and the 225 old cells need to be each separately lighted, requiring about a 500-light outfit in addition to what we now have. I recommend an appropriation for the same.

Our chapel services have been conducted as formerly, — morning service by Rev. Father Murphy, parish priest of the Sacred Heart Church, Middleborough, and afternoon service by Protestant clergymen of the vicinity. All of the services have been well attended and with evident interest. Rev. Father Murphy is a preacher of marked ability, whose serious and earnest manner and efforts for the uplifting of his fellow men, both at the altar and in the wards, cannot fail to bear fruit.

The afternoon services have been fortunate in having many extremely interesting and profitable as well as powerful speakers. I say powerful because the preaching has been especially free of dogma and sectarian thought, appealing to us in a simple, practical way, and interpreting the great gospel truths with application to every-day life. The plan of ministrations here does not offer organized opportunity for professions of spiritual profit, but I cannot believe all the seed has been sown in vain. Although not able to make inventory of the good derived from the observance of religious services, I am sure the appraisal should be one of great value. These services, while interesting, are incomplete without more accompanying music. We need very much a pipe organ, and in this year of very moderate calls for special appropriation I earnestly urge a small one for this purpose.

The improvements we recommend, and for which we ask special appropriations, are new barns, additional electric lighting, heating, plumbing and furnishing new prison buildings, water filtration plant and the organ, aggregating not over twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

We are indebted to many friends for much interesting and valuable reading matter. Among the larger contributors I would mention the Hospital Newspaper Society, the King's Daughters societies of Bridgewater and Middleborough, the Colportage Society of Chicago and Rev. Payson W. Lyman of Fall River, as supplying an abundance of instructive and useful matter.

The official force now numbers in all departments about seventy. While there have been some changes incident to so large a number, they have been few, and with one exception wholly in the more subordinate list. The exception noted was

that of the assistant superintendent, Thomas J. Cannon, Esq., who on account of illness was granted indefinite leave of absence, to return when recovered in health. Mr. Cannon had completed almost *twenty* years of faithful and conscientious service, investing his whole ability earnestly and loyally in a position heavily laden with much vexatious detail. His fairness of judgment and pacific disposition won for him the universal respect of his associate officers and the inmates they jointly governed and directed. It is a pleasure to observe his condition much improved at this writing, and to indulge the hope of a complete recovery and return to duty.

In the responsibilities attending the conduct of an institution of this size I am aware that its recognized head sustains the all-round burden in greater measure relatively than the subordinates, but I should be unjust if I did not here acknowledge my deep gratitude for relief given me and the genuine interest of the entire corps of assistants, and particularly those in charge of departments; the clerk, the deputy superintendent, the farmer, the engineer and the different overseers and matrons have all performed their duties in a most zealous and helpful way, and as though their duty here was, as it should be, their sole business.

In the asylum department Dr. Harrington's management has been, as you well know, able and conservative, and he is richly entitled to the respect he enjoys.

Nothing could make the cares and duties of us all less heavily borne than the uniform courtesy and kindness of the ladies and gentlemen of the trustees, who without exception have given their best abilities to prosecute a successful management of the State Farm.

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. BLACKSTONE,

Superintendent.

BRIDGEWATER, Oct. 1, 1897.

STATISTICS.

The whole number of inmates remaining Oct. 1, 1896, was as follows :—

Male prisoners,	562
Female prisoners,	16
Male paupers,	163
Female paupers,	2
Male insane,	300
	— 1,043

Number of admissions and commitments from Oct. 1, 1896, to Sept. 30, 1897, inclusive :—

Male prisoners,	1,297
Female prisoners,	66
Male paupers,	224
Female paupers,	54
Male insane,	62
	— 1,703

Number discharged from Oct. 1, 1896, to Sept. 30, 1897, inclusive :—

Male prisoners,	1,244
Female prisoners,	49
Male paupers,	242
Female paupers,	53
Male insane,	37
	— 1,625

Number remaining Oct. 1, 1897 :—

Male prisoners,	615
Female prisoners,	33
Male paupers,	145
Female paupers,	3
Male insane,	325
	— 1,121

Of the number discharged, 83 have been by death : —

Prisoners,	23
Paupers,	48
Insane,	15
	<hr/> 83
Average number during the year,	1,186
Largest number during the year,	1,360
Smallest number during the year,	1,043
Average number prisoners,	700
Average number of paupers,	177
Average number of insane,	309
	<hr/> 1,186

ADMISSIONS EACH MONTH.

	PRISONERS.		PAUPERS.		INSANE.	TOTAL.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Males.	Females.
1896.							
October,	167	11	20	10	5	192	21
November,	162	7	8	3	1	171	10
December,	116	1	11	—	5	132	1
1897.							
January,	95		83	8	5	183	8
February,	61	2	9	5	2	72	7
March,	74	9	8	2	4	86	11
April,	84	5	12	5	4	100	10
May,	111	9	16	2	3	130	11
June,	125	7	15	4	9	149	11
July,	99	9	17	2	8	124	11
August,	88	4	18	11	6	112	15
September,	115	2	7	2	10	132	4
Total,	1,297	66	224	54	62	1,583	120

NATIVITY OF INMATES ADMITTED.

Massachusetts,	547
Ireland,	474
England,	113
British Provinces,	122
New York,	72
Scotland,	46
Rhode Island,	40
Connecticut,	34
Maine,	32
New Hampshire,	26
Germany,	22
Pennsylvania,	21
Sweden,	20

Vermont,	15
New Jersey and Italy, 12 each,	24
Azores Islands and Austria, 10 each,	20
Unknown,	10
Ohio and Cape Verd Islands, 8 each,	16
Illinois,	6
Virginia,	5
France and Poland, 4 each,	8
Finland, Norway and Wisconsin, 3 each,	9
Russia, Missouri, Louisiana, Texas and District of Columbia, 2 each,	10
Syria, South Sea Islands, Tahiti Islands, Colorado, California, Denmark, Florida, Armenia, Central America, Iowa and Michigan, 1 each,	11
	— 1,703

COURTS FROM WHICH PRISONERS WERE RECEIVED.

Worcester District Court,	377
Lowell Police Court,	122
Attleborough District Court,	93
Taunton District Court,	90
Boston Municipal Court,	51
Brockton Police Court,	47
Cambridge District Court,	43
Woburn District Court,	42
Northampton District Court,	38
Lynn Police Court,	34
Newton Police Court,	32
Lawrence Police Court,	31
Malden District Court,	28
Abington and Greenfield District Courts, 26 each,	52
Fall River District Court,	25
Marlborough Police Court,	22
Stoughton District Court and Hudson Trial Justice Court, 19 each,	38
North Adams District Court,	18
Framingham District Court,	15
Springfield Police Court,	14
Milford District Court,	13
Plymouth District Court,	11
Waltham District Court,	9
Middleborough District Court,	8
Quincy District Court,	7
Worcester Superior Court,	6
Cambridge Superior Court, Great Barrington and New Bed- ford District Courts, 5 each,	15
Fitchburg Superior Court, Gloucester Police, Concord, Salem, Westfield, Westborough, Pittsfield and Palmer District Courts and State Prison, 4 each,	36

Dedham Superior, Fitchburg and Somerville Police, Concord and Southbridge District, Spencer Trial Justice and Women's Reformatory, 3 each,	21
Salem Superior, Newburyport Police, Ware and Provincetown District, Brookfield and Leominster Trial Justice, Lyman School and Massachusetts Reformatory, 2 each,	16
Boston, Plymouth and Newburyport Superior, Chelsea Police, Adams District, North Andover, Barre, Marblehead and Dedham Trial Justice Courts, 1 each,	9
	— 1,363

SUMMARY.

District Courts,	933
Police Courts,	315
Municipal Courts,	51
Superior Courts,	23
Trial Justice Courts,	30
Women's Reformatory,	3
State Prison,	4
Lyman School,	2
Massachusetts Reformatory,	2
	— 1,363

CRIMES OF PRISONERS.

Drunkenness,	861
Vagrants,	242
Tramps,	236
Vagabonds,	5
Idle and disorderly,	4
Murder (State Prison),	3
Accessory to arson (State Prison),	3
Escaping from State Farm,	2
Assault (Women's Reformatory),	1
Arson (Women's Reformatory),	1
Lewd, wanton and lascivious,	1
Larceny (Lyman School),	1
Burning barn (Lyman School),	1
Stubbornness (Women's Reformatory),	1
Larceny (Massachusetts Reformatory),	1
	— 1,363

SENTENCES OF PRISONERS.

Six months,	851
One year,	241
Nine months,	86
Four months,	49
Eight months,	46
Three months,	40
Ten months,	14

Eighteen months,	8
Two years,	7
Seven months,	6
Two months,	4
Life (State Prison),	3
Five months,	2
Minority,	2
Five years (Women's Reformatory),	1
Five years (Massachusetts Reformatory),	1
Seven years (State Prison),	1
487 days (Massachusetts Reformatory),	1
———— 1,363	

Of the number of prisoners admitted, 484 had been admitted previously, as follows : —

Second time,	262
Third time, .	122
Fourth time,	49
Fifth time, .	14
Sixth time, .	14
Seventh time,	10
Eighth time,	4
Ninth time, .	2
Tenth time,	1
Eleventh time,	3
Twelfth time,	1
Thirteenth time, .	2
———— 484	

TOWNS, ETC., FROM WHICH PAUPERS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

State Almshouse,	81
Fall River, .	97
New Bedford, .	60
Taunton, .	13
Prison Department, State Farm,	6
Brockton, .	4
Rockland, .	3
Boston, .	2
Bridgewater, .	2
Sandwich, .	2
Westport, .	2
Easton, .	1
Fairhaven, .	1
Falmouth, .	1
Marshfield, .	1
Middleborough, .	1
Plymouth, .	1
———— 278	

HOSPITALS, JAILS, ETC., FROM WHICH INSANE PATIENTS HAVE BEEN
RECEIVED.

Prison Department, State Farm,	15
State Prison,	14
Suffolk County House of Correction,	11
Cambridge House of Correction,	4
Salem House of Correction,	2
Essex County House of Correction,	2
Franklin County House of Correction,	2
Massachusetts Reformatory,	2
Pauper Department, State Farm,	2
Cambridge Jail,	1
Ipswich House of Correction,	1
Lawrence House of Correction,	1
New Bedford House of Correction,	1
Cambridge Superior Court,	1
Dedham Superior Court,	1
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	1
Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	1

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The receipts and expenditures have been as follows :—

RECEIPTS.

Oct. 1, 1896, to Jan. 1, 1897,	\$30,916 94
Received from State treasurer for same period,	30,916 94
Jan. 1, 1897, to Oct. 1, 1897,	94,698 80
Received from State treasurer for same period,	94,698 80
Appropriation for 1896 was,	114,900 00
Amount expended,	114,900 00
Appropriation for 1897 was,	127,400 00
Balance unexpended,	32,701 20

EXPENDITURES FROM OCT. 1, 1896, TO OCT. 1, 1897.

Salaries, officers and employees,	\$35,484 84
Flour,	10,102 00
Crackers and pastry,	170 47
Beef, fresh and corned,	7,212 13
Fish, clams and oysters,	2,149 27
Mutton and lamb,	906 87
Poultry,	369 65
Lard, pork and hams,	492 29
Butter, cheese and eggs,	1,602 46
Tea and coffee,	1,746 49
Sugar and molasses,	2,595 99
Beans and peas,	862 06
Fruits and vegetables,	261 03

Nuts and candy for holidays,	\$24 04
Dried apples, raisins and currants,	311 47
Yeast, soda and baking powder,	362 57
Pepper, salt and mustard,	232 86
Rice,	293 08
Meal for table, including graham and oat,	385 75
Miscellaneous groceries,	349 57
Canned goods,	757 77
Tobacco,	1,611 91
Soap stock and starch,	441 63
Medical supplies, disinfectants, etc.,	1,039 78
Hospital supplies, instruments, etc.,	603 96
Ready-made clothing,	636 00
Cloth for outside clothing,	3,836 72
Cloth for shirts and drawers,	1,490 85
Shirts and drawers,	271 98
Mitts and socks,	606 13
Hats and caps,	243 52
Clothing for women,	107 63
Buttons, thread, needles and notions,	330 93
Scarfs, collars, suspenders, combs, etc.,	166 52
Towels, towelling, napkins, etc.,	553 83
Cotton, unbleached,	382 75
Miscellaneous dry goods,	369 77
Blankets, rubber and wool,	687 90
Rubber goods,	40 08
Bedding, hay, straw and fibre,	760 50
Boots, shoes, stock and findings,	2,487 60
Sewing machines and repairs,	8 02
Grain for stock,	2,346 04
Farm and garden seed,	205 24
Manure and fertilizers,	2,416 89
Agricultural tools and implements,	736 23
Live stock,	380 00
Horse and ox shoeing,	21 30
Repairing and painting carriages,	25 81
Repairing carts and wagons,	125 38
Teaming, horse hire and baiting,	21 75
Robes, harnesses, blankets, etc.,	10 00
Miscellaneous stable expenses,	25 75
Bedding material,	583 40
Crockery and glassware,	265 98
Miscellaneous kitchen and laundry utensils,	87 04
Fire set,	9 55
Hardware,	511 62
Brooms, brushes, mats and woodenware,	649 86
Lamps, lanterns and wicks,	205 51
Furniture,	405 46
Carpets and carpeting,	251 25

Painter's supplies and labor,	\$711 84
Plumber's supplies and labor,	471 77
Engineer's supplies,	15 60
Steam pipe and fittings,	901 80
Blacksmith's supplies and labor,	424 57
Gasoline and oil,	807 35
Coal,	11,260 03
Lumber, including coffin boards,	2,145 60
Mechanical labor and services,	1,995 53
Freight and express,	2,374 22
Trustees' expenses,	120 29
Superintendent's expenses, mileage, tickets, etc.,	177 71
Fares and gratuities to discharged inmates,	3,644 70
Transfer of inmates,	10 40
Consulting physicians' services,	97 00
Chapel services,	527 00
Miscellaneous and domestic salaries,	140 00
Taking inventory,	125 00
Telephone rents,	425 00
Telegrams and telephones,	111 67
Postage stamps, cards, etc.,	307 00
Office supplies, stationery and printing,	507 07
Newspapers and periodicals,	57 00
Entertainments and fireworks,	158 79
Spectacles,	31 35
Doors, windows and blinds,	95 97
Stove grates, linings, castings, etc.,	53 59
Boiler grates, castings, etc.,	88 20
Miscellaneous iron and steel,	126 39
Expense arresting and returning escaped prisoners,	277 35
Toilet paper and matches,	177 10
Electrical supplies, fixtures, etc.,	204 08
Greenhouse supplies,	58 20
Repairs to steam pumps, engines and boilers,	141 86
Wall paper,	122 21
Drain pipe,	6 00
Making cider,	43 40
Radiators and registers,	2 34
Tinsmith's supplies and labor,	570 52
Window glass,	253 44
Telephones, wire, booth, etc,	466 37
Castings and gear (greenhouse),	24 00
Lubricating oils,	265 87
Inspecting boilers,	87 00
Brick, lime and cement,	526 73
Asbestos pipe covering,	41 25
Wheelbarrows,	40 00
Stencil ink,	8 65
Repairs to surveyor's level,	16 75

Granite and freestone,	\$83 00
Roofing,	34 85
Veterinary services,	50 00
Inspecting beef and pork slaughtered,	36 00
Repairing dynamos,	26 56
Clock supplies and repairs,	60 19
Damper regulator,	215 00
Jig saw and shafting,	50 50
Kettle for piggery,	16 00
Wheelbarrow stock,	38 00
Steam coffee urn and repairs,	78 00
Metal lathing,	54 35
Potatoes,	603 30
Hot water regulator and repairs,	81 00
Iron sinks,	16 13
Repairing hay scales,	37 45
Expenses of delegate, trustees and medical director to Baltimore, Md, and Toronto,	62 95
Range and fire sets,	54 75
Shrubs, trees, etc,	70 00
Photographer's supplies,	7 07
Ladders,	52 35
Casket for infant child,	8 00
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	\$125,615 74

The amount received from sales, labor of inmates, produce sold, etc, is \$3,121 84

The total expenditure has been 125,615 74

Which amount, divided by the average number of inmates, 1,186, gives \$105.91 yearly, or an expenditure of \$2.03 weekly; deduct the amount paid into the treasury from the amount expended, and it gives a net cost of \$1.98 weekly.

Estimating the cost of the average number of insane (309) at \$2.50 per week, it makes the gross cost for average number of prisoner and pauper (877) \$1.87 per week.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Of the appropriations made in 1895 and 1896 for electric lighting, there was an unexpended balance of \$543.43. The expenditures under this appropriation for the present year are as follows:—

Supervision, plans, etc.,	\$400 00
Electrical supplies,	126 56
Carpenter's labor,	16 87
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	\$543 43

Of the appropriation made in 1895 for a new hospital building, there was an unexpended balance of \$4,692.37. The expenditures under this appropriation for the year are as follows :—

Mason's labor,	\$274 50
Carpenter's labor,	602 71
Foreman of laborers,	60 00
Lumber, doors, etc.,	233 89
Brick, lime and cement,	276 97
Granite,	164 23
Electrical supplies,	58 51
Window guards,	386 23
Iron stairs,	67 01
Stone flagging,	39 90
Plumbing,	903 67
Ventilating register,	108 93
Hardware,	155 15
Sheet lead, tin and conductors,	75 15
Drain pipe,	119 24
Boiler,	550 00
Smoke flues,	140 50
Paints, oils, etc.,	118 79
Steam and gas pipe and fittings,	289 32
Castings,	23 99
Freight,	43 68
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	\$4,692 37

Of the appropriation made in 1896 for the purpose of increasing the administration accommodations of the asylum, renewing the plumbing in the east and west wings and enlarging its hot-water system, there was an unexpended balance of \$5,171.48. The expenditures under this appropriation for the present year are as follows :—

Mason's labor,	\$210 00
Carpenter's labor,	828 00
Lumber, doors and windows,	1,001 16
Plumbing, heating apparatus and hot water heater and tank,	2,077 50
Steam and gas pipe and fittings,	34 09
Brick,	29 49
Hardware,	141 18
Wire lathing,	12 00
Paints, oils, etc,	170 25
Electrical supplies, fixtures, etc.,	192 75
Furniture, carpets, wall paper and mantels,	442 16
Window shades,	32 90
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	\$5,171 48

Of the appropriation made in 1894 for the purchase and improvement of lands, there was an unexpended balance of \$854.24. The expenditures under this appropriation for the present year are as follows:—

Expended for land,	\$490 00
Balance unexpended,	364 24
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	\$854 24

Of the appropriation made in 1896 for the extension of the prison department, including workshop, with plumbing, heating and furnishing, there was an unexpended balance of \$14,023.67. Under chapter 57, Resolves of 1897, the sum of \$75,000 was appropriated for a prison building, to contain not less than three hundred rooms, including connecting yard walls. The expenditures under these appropriations for the present year are as follows:—

Mason's labor,	\$1,685 00
Carpenter's labor,	683 00
Foreman of laborers,	225 00
Brick, lime and cement,	2,319 04
Granite,	221 68
Lumber, doors and windows,	1,035 68
Roofing,	325 04
Plumbing,	145 00
Steam and gas pipe and fittings,	109 13
Window guards,	578 14
Sheet iron, tin and lead,	103 20
Locks and hardware,	267 33
Paints, oils, etc.,	32 21
Electrical supplies,	74 28
Cook of mechanics,	80 00
Freight,	132 08
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	\$8,015 81
Balance unexpended,	81,007 86
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	\$89,023 67

Under chapter 56, Resolves of 1897, the sum of \$12,000 was appropriated for the erection of a strong isolation ward for dangerous and incurable insane; also the sum of \$4,300 was appropriated for renovating the north-west wing for acute

cases, providing storage rooms and a central bathing station for modern rain-baths. The expenditures under these appropriations for the present year are as follows :—

Mason's labor,	\$1,764 00
Carpenter's labor,	300 25
Foreman laborers,	45 00
Brick, lime and cement,	2,013 19
Lumber,	1,134 28
Granite,	162 90
Iron beams,	184 50
Window guards,	437 80
Hardware and nails,	54 40
Tiles,	263 25
Drain pipe,	96 30
Sheet lead and tin,	49 41
Plumber's supplies,	20 70
Castings,	77 73
Cook of mechanics,	36 00
Freight,	193 10
Architect's services,	400 00
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	\$7,232 81
Balance unexpended,	9,067 19
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	\$16,300 00

Under chapter 56, Resolves of 1897, the sum of \$2,000 was appropriated for brick and concrete paving and additional fencing. The expenditures under this appropriation for the present year are as follows :—

Concreting walks,	\$1,104 00
Mason's labor,	299 00
Paving brick,	242 87
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	\$1,645 87
Balance unexpended,	354 13
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	\$2,000 00

Under chapter 57, Resolves of 1897, the sum of \$800 was appropriated for painting barns and other wooden buildings. The expenditures under this appropriation for the present year are as follows :—

Paints, oils, etc.,	\$299 73
Balance unexpended,	500 27
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	\$800 00

An inventory and appraisal of the real and personal estate, Oct. 1, 1897, was made by George E. Doane, Esq., of Middleborough. The appraisal was as follows:—

Live stock,	\$7,375 80
Products of farm,	12,571 43
Carriages and agricultural implements,	8,534 29
Machinery and mechanical fixtures,	53,453 00
Beds and bedding, inmates' department,	18,773 45
Other furniture, inmates' department,	16,540 21
Personal property of State in superintendent's department,	8,271 50
Ready-made clothing,	18,921 71
Dry goods,	3,941 85
Provisions and groceries,	4,463 35
Drugs and medicines,	453 72
Fuel,	1,540 00
Library,	340 50

LAND.

315 acres cultivated,	} \$37,465 00
225 acres pasture,	
6 $\frac{1}{4}$ acres woodland,	
5 acres waterworks,	

BUILDINGS.

Main buildings,	\$242,000 00
Boiler house, laundry and electric light house,	11,200 00
Prison strong building,	12,000 00
Infirmery and women's building,	30,000 00
Asylum buildings,	140,000 00
Medical director's house,	6,000 00
Prison workshops (carpenter and paint),	2,500 00
East barn,	6,000 00
Stock barn,	6,000 00
Stable,	5,500 00
Piggery,	2,500 00
Hay shed,	500 00
Ice houses,	1,500 00
Hen houses,	1,000 00
Farmers' houses,	3,000 00
Watchman's house,	3,000 00
River pumping station,	2,500 00
Lower pump house,	500 00
Blacksmith's shop,	1,800 00
Storage sheds for tools,	1,000 00
Pest house,	300 00
Hathaway house,	500 00
High brick walls,	5,000 00

High board fences,	\$200 00
Tomb,	1,000 00
Morgue,	500 00
Cart shed and onion loft,	1,000 00
Stone-crusher building, including engine, crusher and roller, .	4,000 00
Tool house,	1,000 00

LIST OF LIVE STOCK.

5 pairs work-horses.	2 boars.
3 driving horses.	70 hogs.
1 express horse.	40 breeding sows.
7 yoke oxen.	73 shoats.
4 bulls.	18 pigs.
53 cows.	110 hens.
7 heifers.	217 chickens.
10 calves.	

PRODUCTS OF FARM ON HAND.

283 $\frac{3}{4}$ tons English hay.	320 bushels parsnips.
25 tons swale hay.	450 bushels turnips.
58 $\frac{1}{2}$ tons rowen.	180 bushels ruta-bagas.
36 $\frac{3}{4}$ tons oat fodder.	11 $\frac{3}{4}$ tons squash.
1,947 bushels potatoes.	6 $\frac{1}{4}$ tons pumpkins.
262 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels onions.	12,570 heads cabbage.
2,870 bushels mangels.	1,625 bunches celery.
1,364 bushels yellow globe beets.	120 cords manure.
2,091 bushels table beets.	250 tons ice.
899 bushels carrots.	

PRODUCTS OF FARM AND GARDEN CONSUMED ON OFFICERS' AND INMATES' TABLES.

3,125 bushels potatoes.	55 pounds spinach.
379 bushels onions.	5,651 pounds dandelion greens.
461 bunches onions.	1,150 pounds cabbage greens.
625 bushels turnips.	8,045 pounds beet greens.
22 bunches turnips.	79,864 pounds cabbage.
237 bushels parsnips.	3,815 pounds Swiss chard.
83 bushels carrots.	2 $\frac{1}{4}$ bushels peppers.
900 bushels beets.	8,317 cucumbers.
307 bunches beets.	7 bushels pickling cucumbers.
756 bushels apples.	3,342 dozen corn.
134 bushels tomatoes.	625 pounds asparagus.
43 bushels pears.	586 bunches asparagus.
4 bushels quinces.	113 bunches radishes.
$\frac{1}{4}$ bushel plums.	151 pounds horse radish.
224 bushels peas.	1,145 pounds rhubarb.
112 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels string beans.	441 dozen lettuce.
53 bushels shell beans.	16 pounds summer squash.

5,786 pounds squash.	2,223 boxes strawberries.
73 pounds pumpkin.	44 boxes blackberries.
1,093 bunches celery.	150 boxes raspberries.
15 gallons cider.	87 boxes gooseberries.
317 watermelons.	243 boxes currants.
1,228 musk melons.	$\frac{1}{4}$ bushel pop corn.
210 pounds grapes.	

The beef, pork and poultry slaughtered from the stock of the farm amount to : —

8,576 pounds beef.	338 pounds fowl.
14,046 pounds pork.	224 pounds chicken.

DAIRY PRODUCTS, ETC.

31,167 gallons milk.	914 dozen eggs.
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The above amounts show the consumption on the tables from the farm account, and represent a credit of \$12,434.37 allowed the farm.

CLOTHING, ETC., MADE AND REPAIRED IN THE SHOP.

New Goods Made.

967 coats.	1,397 pairs drawers.
1,947 pairs pants.	903 pillow slips.
1,289 vests.	1,153 sheets.
875 caps.	957 pairs suspenders.
2,691 shirts.	67 clothes bags.
1,363 bath towels.	238 handkerchiefs.
261 roller towels.	12 dressing gowns.
80 dish towels.	100 pairs overalls.
52 barber towels.	99 jumpers.
139 bed ticks.	750 pairs balmoral shoes.
142 aprons.	151 pairs outside shoes.
184 shrouds	445 pairs brogans.
1,085 undershirts.	946 pairs slippers.

Clothing, etc., Repaired.

1,485 coats.	178 pairs overalls
1,200 vests.	1,389 bed ticks.
3,226 pairs pants.	8 caps.
7,394 shirts.	700 pairs mittens.
1,194 undershirts.	104 pillow slips.
1,977 pairs drawers.	206 aprons.
13,321 pairs socks.	3,667 pairs shoes.
83 jumpers.	

LIST OF PERSONS
Employed as Officers and Employees.

NAME.	Nature of Service.	Time.	Amount.
H. M. Blackstone, . .	Superintendent, . .	1 year, . . .	\$2,500 00
Thos. J. Cannon, . .	Assistant superintendent,	9 months, . .	750 00
Benj. F. Robinson, . .	Assistant superintendent,	3 months, . .	250 00
Arthur H. Harrington, .	Resident physician, . .	1 year, . . .	1,950 00
James F. Blair, . . .	Assistant physician, . .	1 year, . . .	775 00
H. W. Mitchell, . . .	Assistant physician, . .	10 months, 25 days,	625 00
Herman S. Spear, . . .	Assistant physician, . .	9 months, 25 days,	245 83
Fred B. Colby, . . .	Assistant physician, . .	1 month, . . .	25 00
Henry J. Strann, . . .	Clerk,	1 year, . . .	1,000 00
Alice M. Boutelle, . .	Stenographer,	2 months, 26 days,	57 33
Rodney A. Moore, . . .	Engineer,	1 year, . . .	840 00
Benj. F. Robinson, . .	Overseer,	9 months, . . .	675 00
Walter E. Temple, . . .	Overseer,	1 year, . . .	720 00
Benj. A. Atkins, . . .	Overseer,	1 year, . . .	600 00
Fred A. Hewey, . . .	Overseer,	1 year, . . .	600 00
Edward L. Benner, . . .	Overseer,	3 months, . . .	150 00
Zeno D. Baker, . . .	Overseer,	1 year, . . .	480 00
Andrew D. Grant, . . .	Overseer,	1 year, . . .	480 00
Peter Baziniet, . . .	Baker,	1 year, . . .	600 00
John W. Tibbetts, . . .	Cook,	6 months, 19 days,	298 50
Edward L. Benner, . . .	Cook,	2 months, . . .	80 00
Frank F. Rice, . . .	Cook,	3 months, . . .	120 00
George E. Bacon, . . .	Farmer,	1 year, . . .	1,000 00
Henry S. Keith, . . .	Assistant farmer, . . .	1 year, . . .	540 00
Ernest E. Bacon, . . .	Assistant farmer, . . .	1 year, . . .	540 00
Asa B. Coolidge, . . .	Assistant farmer, . . .	1 year, . . .	480 00
Nathaniel B. Doe, . . .	Assistant farmer, . . .	1 year, . . .	480 00
George R. Beldin, . . .	Assistant farmer, . . .	1 year, . . .	480 00
Edward L. Benner, . . .	Assistant farmer, . . .	7 months, . . .	280 00
Andrew Merrill, . . .	Assistant farmer, . . .	5 months, 23 days,	201 83
Herman S. Porter, . . .	Assistant farmer, . . .	5 months, 12 days,	162 00

LIST OF PERSONS, ETC.—*Continued.*

NAME.	Nature of Service.	Time.	Amount.
Charles F. Porter, . . .	Assistant farmer, . . .	13 days, . . .	\$15 16
Luke Wrisley, . . .	Herdsmen, . . .	7 months, 10 days,	183 33
Charles Flynn, . . .	Gardener, . . .	11 months, 24 days,	325 00
John W. Hannum, . . .	Painter, . . .	1 year, . . .	480 00
David B. Faulkner, . . .	Temporary overseer, . . .	3 months, . . .	120 00
Merrick H. Osgood, . . .	Assistant engineer, . . .	1 year, . . .	480 00
Wm. T. R. Slater, . . .	Assistant engineer, . . .	1 year, . . .	465 00
James Bradford, . . .	Assistant engineer, . . .	1 year, . . .	352 50
Chas. R. Richards, . . .	Electrician, . . .	3 months, . . .	100 00
George W. Blake, . . .	Watchman, . . .	1 year, . . .	510 00
Wm. A. McGeoch, . . .	Messenger, . . .	1 year, . . .	240 00
Bessie L. Webb, . . .	Nurse, . . .	4 months, . . .	160 00
Margaret J. Hamilton, . . .	Nurse, . . .	8 months, . . .	250 00
Albra Whitmore, . . .	Nurse, . . .	9 months, 5 days, . . .	275 00
George W. Adams, . . .	Nurse, . . .	9 months, . . .	160 00
William E. Allen, . . .	Nurse, . . .	3 months, . . .	90 00
J. B. MacKillop, . . .	Nurse, . . .	1 month, 23 days, . . .	58 00
Melvin Hatch, . . .	Supervisor, . . .	1 year, . . .	500 00
Benj. F. Tibbetts, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	430 00
Edward W. Cramer, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	415 00
Dana Tibbetts, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	415 00
Benj. C. Knowlton, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	390 00
Joseph C. Slater, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	390 00
James N. Slater, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	390 00
Raymond A. Taylor, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	390 00
Daniel H. Clark, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	390 00
A. B. McDonald, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	390 00
John W. Hicks, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	375 00
David W. York, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	375 00
Edward H. Boehuer, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	372 50
James T. Beavins, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	362 50
Herman Flagg, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	357 50

LIST OF PERSONS, ETC. — *Concluded.*

NAME.	Nature of Service.	Time.	Amount.
L. H. Cramer, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	\$320 00
Albert N. Pond, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	325 00
Fred Folsom, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	325 00
Charles R. Tibbetts, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	325 00
Frank P. Stone, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 year, . . .	315 00
Samuel H. Goins, . . .	Attendant, . . .	11 months, 26 days,	348 50
Edwin S. Kingsley, . . .	Attendant, . . .	11 months, 23 days,	389 92
Fred L. Castle, . . .	Attendant, . . .	10 months, 28 days,	313 16
W. F. Rowell, . . .	Attendant, . . .	10 months, . . .	260 00
Horace G. Cox, . . .	Attendant, . . .	9 months, 24 days,	279 50
John. E. Proctor, . . .	Attendant, . . .	9 months, 18 days,	274 00
Arthur R. Packard, . . .	Attendant, . . .	9 months, 16 days,	269 66
William E. Allen, . . .	Attendant, . . .	9 months, . . .	270 00
Frank F. Rice, . . .	Attendant, . . .	8 months, 28 days,	312 66
Walter S. Guild, . . .	Attendant, . . .	7 months, 27 days,	202 50
Jeremiah B. Allen, . . .	Attendant, . . .	7 months, 12 days,	222 00
Charles Smith, . . .	Attendant, . . .	6 months, 21 days,	207 75
William J. Hamilton, . . .	Attendant, . . .	5 months, . . .	137 50
Amos H. Kinsman, . . .	Attendant, . . .	4 months, 15 days,	123 75
Edward M. Arenberg, . . .	Attendant, . . .	4 months, . . .	107 50
James E. Bagan, . . .	Attendant, . . .	2 months, 6 days, .	60 50
Allen M. Kennedy, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 month, 26 days, .	51 53
William H. Proctor, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 month, 20 days, .	45 83
John L. Parmalee, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 month, 13 days, .	39 42
Andrew Merrill, . . .	Attendant, . . .	1 month, . . .	30 00
Williard F. Tier, . . .	Attendant, . . .	25 days, . . .	22 92
S. F. Blackstone, . . .	Housekeeper, . . .	1 year, . . .	300 00
Belle Benner, . . .	Laundress, . . .	1 year, . . .	300 00
Mary E Coolidge, . . .	Cook, . . .	1 year, . . .	291 00
Maude Guild, . . .	Domestic, . . .	4 months, . . .	72 00

HOSPITAL REPORT.

To the Board of Trustees of the State Farm.

The following report of the hospital for the year ending Sept. 30, 1897, is respectfully submitted. The general statistics for the year are as follows : —

Number remaining in the hospital Oct. 1, 1896,	64
Whole number admitted during the year,	660
Discharged,	534
Deaths,	83
Number remaining in the hospital Sept. 30, 1897,	107

Attention is called to the tabulated statement accompanying this report, which gives the forms of diseases treated in the hospital during the year, with the number of cases of each disease and the results in those cases discharged.

Of the patients who died, 17 were over seventy years of age, 3 of these being over eighty, 17 were between the ages of sixty and seventy, and the ages of the remainder ranged between twenty and fifty. Among those who died were a number of persons who had long been inmates of this institution. Sixteen of the deaths occurred from cerebral diseases, 14 from cardiac diseases and 37 from the various forms of pulmonary diseases, acute, chronic and tubercular.

In regard to the general health of the community, a considerable number of well-marked cases of malaria have appeared among both old resident inmates and employees. I am told that heretofore cases of malaria have not been known to originate here. It may be due to the fact that in reclaiming land and in building much soil has been disturbed the past two years. The best preventive against malaria will be the thorough drainage of our land.

Renovation and repairs in two hospital wards have made them so satisfactory that the work should be extended to the remaining wards.

The hospital nursing under the charge of a competent female nurse is gradually improving. I suggest that, if the amount of our work becomes unusual during the coming winter, additional female assistance be placed upon our wards.

Dr. James F. Blair continues as hospital assistant, and bears a large share of the burden and responsibility. The position of interne has been filled the past year by Dr. H. S. Spear.

The Board of Consulting Physicians to the hospital remains unchanged.

I wish to commend to your Board the hospital staff of physicians and nurses for the good work they are doing.

Very respectfully,

ARTHUR H. HARRINGTON,

Resident Physician.

BRIDGEWATER, Oct. 1, 1897.

TABULATED REPORT OF CASES TREATED IN THE HOSPITAL DURING THE
YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1897.

DISEASES.	1896.			1897.									Totals.	Recovery.	Impr- oved.	Unimproved.	Deaths.
	October.	November.	December.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.					
Abscess, alveolar,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-
Abscess, hand,	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Abscess, heel,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Abscess, ischio-rectal,	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	2	-	-	-
Abscess, knee,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Abscess, labia majora,	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Abscess, neck,	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	-
Abscess, peritonsillar,	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	2	-	-	-
Abscess, thigh,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Abscess, tubercular,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-
Acne,	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Adenitis, tubercular,	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	3	-	2	1	-
Alcoholism,	10	8	1	2	3	6	7	3	6	7	7	6	66	66	-	-	-
Angina pectoris,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Apoplecticiform attack,	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Appendicitis,	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	1
Arthritis deformans,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Asthma,	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	2	2	11	1	9	1	-
Blindness from gonorr. ophth.,	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Bronchitis, acute,	1	1	3	7	11	3	5	5	8	-	-	2	46	43	-	-	3
Bronchitis, chronic,	6	-	-	4	2	-	3	2	-	2	-	-	19	-	13	4	2
Bubo,	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	3	2	1	-	-
Calculi, hepatic,	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	2	-	1
Cancer, face,	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Cancer of penis,	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Cancer, prostate gland,	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Cancer, throat,	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Carbuncle,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Caries of rib,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Catarrh, chronic gastric,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Cellulitis,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Chorea,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Congelation, toes,	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Constipation, acute,	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-
Coryza,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Cystitis, chronic,	-	-	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	1	4	-
Dementia,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Dermatitis, traumatica,	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-
Diarrhœa, acute,	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	4	18	2	29	27	1	-	1
Diarrhœa, chronic,	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	6	-	2	2	2
Dilatation of right ventricle,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-
Dysentery, acute,	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	7	5	-	13	13	-	-	-
Eczema,	1	-	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	2	4	-	-
Emphysema,	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Empyema,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Endocarditis,	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Entero-colitis,	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Epididymitis,	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Epilepsy,	2	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	8	-	1	6	1
Epithelioma,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Erysipelas, facial,	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	1
Erythema intertrigo,	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	5	5	-	-	-
Fistula in ano,	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	-
Fistula, perineal,	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Fracture, clavicle,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2	-	-	-
Fracture, humerus (old),	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Fracture, jaw,	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Fracture, radius,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Fracture, rib,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Furuncle,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
General paralysis,	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	5	-	-	2	3
Gangrene, senile,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Gonorrhœa,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	-	2	-	-
Hæmorrhage, cerebral,	1	-	-	-	1	-	2	2	-	-	-	2	10	1	-	-	-
Hæmorrhoids,	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	9
Herpes, zoster,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-
Hydrocele,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-

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DISEASES.	1896.			1897.									Totals.	Recovery.	Improved.	Unimproved.	Deaths.
	October.	November.	December.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.					
Hypertrophy, pseudo-musc.,	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Indigestion, acute, .	1	-	1	1	1	2	1	-	2	3	2	2	17	16	1	-	-
Inebriety, narcotic, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-
Insanity, .	2	1	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	8	-	-	8	-
Iritis, .	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Ivy poisoning, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Jaundice, catarrhal, .	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	3	-	-	-
Keratitis, .	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
La grippe, .	-	-	-	-	7	4	4	2	-	1	-	-	18	18	-	-	-
Laryngitis, acute, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Locomotor ataxia, .	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Lumbago, .	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	4	4	-	-
Lymphangitis, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Malaria, .	6	2	-	-	1	3	3	6	8	6	8	1	44	43	1	-	-
Malingering, .	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	1	-	5	-	-	-	-
Mania à potu, .	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-
Marasmus, senile, .	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Meningitis, tubercular, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1
Migraine, .	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Myelitis, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-
Necrosis, inf. maxilla, .	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Nephritis, acute, .	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	1
Nephritis, chronic, .	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	1	1	8	-	1	4	3
Neuralgia, facial, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-
Neuritis, peripheral, .	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	1	1	-	-
Observation, .	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	4	-	1	7	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia, granular, .	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Orchitis, chronic, .	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Otitis media, .	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Palpitation of heart, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	2	1	1	-	-
Paralysis agitata, .	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	2	-
Paralysis, traumatic, .	3	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	1	5	-
Paraphimosis, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Paraplegia, .	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Pediculosis, .	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Pericarditis, .	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Peritonitis, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Pharyngitis, acute, .	-	2	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	-	-	-
Pharyngitis, follicular, .	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	-
Phthisis, pulmonary, .	5	1	-	3	2	2	-	1	6	1	4	3	28	-	10	13	5
Pleurisy, acute, .	-	-	-	4	2	2	-	3	-	1	2	3	17	11	1	3	2
Pleurisy, chronic, .	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Pleuro-pneumonia, .	1	-	-	1	1	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	7	4	-	-	3
Plumbism, .	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-
Pneumonia, catarrhal, .	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	4	-	-	-	4
Pneumonia, lobar, .	-	2	1	4	7	4	1	3	1	-	-	-	23	12	-	-	11
Podagra, .	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Prolapsus recti, .	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Rheumatism, acute articular, .	-	1	2	2	5	1	2	2	1	2	3	2	23	18	4	1	-
Rheumatism, chronic, .	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	4	-	2	2	-
Rheumatism, chronic articular, .	1	-	-	2	1	-	2	-	1	1	2	-	10	-	6	4	-
Rheumatism, gonorrhœal, .	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	3	-	-
Sciatica, .	-	-	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	4	2	-	-
Sclerosis of liver, .	1	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	2	1	1
Senile debility, .	5	-	4	2	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	14	-	-	14	-
Sprain, ankle, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-
Sprain, foot, .	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-
Sprain, knee, .	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Sprain, shoulder, .	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Sprain, wrist, .	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-
Status epilepticus, .	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Septicæmia, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Stomatitis, .	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Stricture, urethral, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	1	1	-
Synovitis, .	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
Syphilis, .	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	4	-	3	1	-
Tinea sycosis, .	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Tonsillitis, follicular, .	-	-	1	4	2	1	2	-	1	-	1	1	13	12	1	-	-
Traumatism, ankle, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-

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Traumatism, eye,	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Traumatism, foot,	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-
Traumatism, forehead,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Traumatism, jaw,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Traumatism, knee,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	1	-	-
Traumatism, leg,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-
Tuberculosis, pulmonary,	2	-	-	7	-	1	3	1	8	1	-	1	23	-	2	15	7
Tumor, abdominal wall,	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Tumor, axilla,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Tumor, brain,	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Tumor, cystic, of face,	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Ulcer, corneal,	-	1	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	4	2	-	-
Ulcer, leg,	1	1	1	6	2	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	13	12	1	-	-
Urticaria,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-
Valvular disease of heart,	2	6	3	6	5	4	4	3	2	3	-	2	40	-	9	21	10
Wen, scalp,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-

Deaths, 1896-97.

Appendicitis,	1
Bronchitis, acute,	3
Bronchitis, chronic,	1
Bronchitis, chronic, and caries of rib,	1
Cancer,	2
Cholelithiasis and pleurisy, acute,	1
Diarrhœa, chronic, and senility,	1
Diarrhœa, chronic,	1
Endocarditis,	1
Entero-colitis,	1
Epilepsy,	1
Erysipelas,	1
Gangrene, senile,	1
General paralysis,	3
Hæmorrhage, cerebral,	9
Marasmus, senile,	1
Nephritis, acute,	1
Nephritis, chronic,	2
Nephritis and tubercular meningitis,	1
Phthisis, fibroid, and dilatation of heart,	1
Phthisis, pulmonary,	4
Pleuro-pneumonia,	3
Pleurisy, acute,	1
Pleurisy and valvular disease of heart,	1
Pneumonia, catarrhal,	4
Pneumonia, lobar,	10
Pneumonia, lobar, and valvular disease of heart,	1
Sclerosis of liver and peritonitis,	1
Septicæmia,	1
Status epilepticus,	1
Suicide by hanging,	1
Tuberculosis, pulmonary,	7
Tumor, cerebral,	1
Valvular disease of heart,	9
Valvular disease of heart and acute pleurisy,	1
Valvular disease of heart and chronic bronchitis,	1
Valvular disease of heart and chronic nephritis,	1
Valvular disease of heart and senility,	1

Total deaths (prisoners, 20; paupers, 48; insane, 15), 83

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STATE ASYLUM FOR INSANE CRIMINALS.

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REPORT OF THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF THE STATE ASYLUM FOR INSANE CRIMINALS.

To the Trustees of the State Farm.

The following report of the department of the State Farm known by statute as the "State Asylum for Insane Criminals" is respectfully submitted.

The number of patients at the beginning of the year was 300; at the close there are 325. There were 62 admissions and 37 discharges. The whole number of cases under treatment during the year was 362. The daily average has been 308.9.

Of the 62 cases received, 14 were committed from the State Prison, 25 from houses of correction, 2 from the Massachusetts Reformatory, 15 from the prison department of the State Farm and 2 from the courts. Two cases also, one a court case, the other a non-criminal, were transferred here from State lunatic hospitals. Two non-criminals were received from the almshouse department of the State Farm.

Of the 37 cases discharged, 6 were recovered, 2 much improved, 1 improved, 10 unimproved and 3 were not insane. There were 15 deaths during the year. Three of the patients who died were over seventy years of age, 3 were between sixty and seventy and 2 were between fifty and sixty. Of those who died, 1 had been insane over thirty years, 1 over twenty years and 7 over ten years. There was 1 death among the 62 cases admitted during the year.

Of the 62 persons admitted, 23 were natives of Massachusetts, 13 of other States, 10 of Ireland, 7 of England and the British Provinces, 6 of other foreign countries and the nativity of 3 was unascertained.

Our population at the close of the year contains 55 persons who were originally committed to State hospitals and this

asylum from the State Prison, 111 from the various houses of correction, 7 from the Massachusetts Reformatory, 27 from the prison department of the State Farm and 41 from the courts, making in all 241 criminal cases. The remaining 84 cases which make up the total of 325 are the non-criminals who were transferred here before the act was passed which made this an asylum for insane criminals, and also those who have been received from time to time from the almshouse department of the State Farm. Thus it will be seen that on criminal lines our classification is quite imperfect, containing, as it does, these 84 non-criminals. During the past year we have gained 25 patients, and our total of 325 takes us up to the limit of our capacity. We ought, as fast as accommodations are needed for incoming cases, to be relieved by the transfer to other institutions of these non-criminal insane. Our classification will continue to be impaired also by the custom by which the insane who, from time to time, appear in the almshouse department, are transferred to this asylum. Some provision should be made at once to send such cases elsewhere. These cases are not criminals upon any technical grounds certainly, and in disposition and past record they may be far removed from the criminal class.

A study of our insane in relation to sentences shows that we have ten patients undergoing life sentences. At the present writing I am officially informed that there are 56 life men in the Massachusetts State Prison, so that out of 66 life men 15 per cent are insane and confined in this asylum. Four patients are undergoing sentences of twenty years and over, 5 have sentences from ten to twenty years and 44 have sentences of ten years and less. There are 41 court cases and there are 137 with sentences expired. With few exceptions these cases with sentences expired are improper subjects for other State institutions for the insane, and the policy should undoubtedly be to retain them in this asylum as long as it seems necessary to confine them on account of their insanity.

A patient who had parole failed to return to the asylum, which makes the first successful elopement we have had to record in three years.

A patient who had been an inmate of insane hospitals for sixteen years committed suicide by hanging himself in his room.

Of the 362 cases under treatment during the year, mechanical restraint has been employed for short periods, with a single exception, upon 7 different persons. Fifty-one persons have been secluded, all with few exceptions for short periods.

DIETARY.

The subject of the asylum dietary has been brought to the notice of your Board and our recommendations have met with your approval, but thus far we have been able to carry them out only to a limited extent, because the kitchen facilities of our asylum are insufficient. The greater part of the food for our insane is prepared in the main kitchen, where the cooking is done for from 1,100 to sometimes over 1,300 inmates. The specialization which a diet for the insane should receive cannot be carried out very well under these conditions. I think that the asylum kitchen accommodations should be increased, and that all, or at least nearly all, the food for the insane should be prepared there. When I add that, judging by the number of admissions during the past two years, we shall probably receive annually from forty to fifty recent and acute cases, and when we consider that the early treatment of such cases is chiefly the wise and timely administration of proper food, the need of facilities for such specialization in diet is seen to be still further enhanced.

While upon this subject I will take the opportunity to say a word in favor of the more general use of milk as an article of diet for our insane. There is nothing that could be added to our dietary which would be so much appreciated by the patients as milk. With our large farm it ought to be cheaply produced, and if furnished in liberal amounts I believe it would diminish to some extent the consumption of more expensive foods. At present the amount of milk which can be issued to the asylum from our home supply barely reaches our necessities. It is hoped that the need of greater barn accommodations in order to increase our milk stock will not be overlooked.

SINGLE ROOMS.

The need for more single rooms is beginning to be felt and may become a serious one. The dormitory plan upon which the first asylum buildings were constructed was admirable for

chronic and harmless patients as contemplated at that time, but is unsuited to the present class. Moreover, twenty-eight single rooms, which, in order to meet the pressing needs before any strong buildings had been provided, were made in the basement of the two dormitory buildings, have been condemned for the use of patients as unhealthy. Our buildings are so situated that further extension of our asylum plant is impracticable. There seems to be but one suggestion, and that is, if we continue to occupy this plant and necessity compels, one or both of the dormitories may have to be reconstructed so as to give us single rooms in their stead.

The addition to the asylum which is being built for the safer care of a few of the more dangerous and troublesome patients will be completed the coming year. When ready for occupancy an increase in our force of attendants will be necessary.

The comfortable house which the recommendation of the superintendent, together with your co-operation, has provided for the medical director, is now occupied by myself and family. The privilege of living outside the immediate walls of the institution is one for which I feel deeply grateful. The assistant physician will be assigned to the quarters formerly occupied by the medical director. They require furnishing, and the asylum offices also should be equipped with conveniences for carrying on the administrative work.

The vacancy which existed at the beginning of the year in the position of assistant physician to the asylum was filled by the appointment of H. Walter Mitchell, M.D. The duties of this position are now the same as those of the first assistants in our State hospitals, and the compensation should be accordingly.

The Board of Consulting Physicians remains unchanged.

In casting a retrospect over the year, we feel that we are fortunate in having nothing of a very serious nature to record, considering the element with which we have to deal. Vigilance, strict attention to work during the hours of duty, and firmness tempered with a spirit of kindness toward every patient, are the cardinal instructions which experience has taught us to give our attendants in caring for our special class. I wish to thank all officers and attendants of this asylum, and to commend them to your Board for the increased faithfulness

to these instructions which I believe I have observed the past year.

In closing this annual report, I desire to express my appreciation of the valuable counsel I have received from your Superintendent, and I take renewed courage from the confidence in me which your Board has shown.

Very respectfully,

ARTHUR H. HARRINGTON,
Medical Director.

BRIDGEWATER, MASS., Oct. 1, 1897.

No. 1. — *General Statistics for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897, and since the Opening of the Asylum, Sept. 14, 1886.*

	DURING THE YEAR.	SINCE SEPT. 14, 1886.
	Males.	Males.
Patients in the asylum Oct. 1, 1896,	300	—
Admitted,	62	652
Whole number of cases under treatment, . . .	362	652
Discharged,	37	327
Discharged by the Board of Lunacy and Charity, .	12	150
Discharged by the courts,	3	12
Returned to penal institutions,	6	16
Eloped,	1	22
Deaths,	15	127
Patients remaining Sept. 30, 1897,	325	—
Number of different persons admitted, . . .	62	639
Number of different persons under treatment, .	362	639

No. 2. — *Monthly Admissions, Discharges, Deaths and Averages for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897.*

MONTH.	Admissions.	Discharges.	Deaths.	Daily Average of Patients in the Asylum.
1896.				
October,	5	—	2	302.2
November,	1	4	1	301.3
December,	5	2	2	300.1
1897.				
January,	5	—	1	303.2
February,	2	1	1	304.6
March,	4	1	—	305.5
April,	4	2	—	307.7
May,	3	1	1	309.7
June,	9	3	3	313.4
July,	8	1	2	314.6
August,	6	2	—	321.0
September,	10	5	2	325.2
Total of cases, . . .	62	22	15	—
Total of persons, . .	62	22	—	—
Daily average, . . .	—	—	—	308.9

No. 3.— *Nativity and Parentage of Persons received during the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897, and since the Opening of the Asylum, Sept. 14, 1886.*

PLACES OF NATIVITY.	RECEIVED.					
	DURING THE YEAR.			SINCE SEPT. 14, 1886.		
	Patient.	Father.	Mother.	Patient.	Father.	Mother.
Azores,	—	—	—	3	—	—
Austria,	1	—	—	2	—	—
British Guiana,	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cape Breton,	—	—	—	1	1	1
China,	—	—	—	1	—	—
Canada,	5	3	3	20	5	8
Connecticut,	1	—	—	2	—	1
Cuba,	—	—	—	1	—	—
Denmark,	1	1	1	8	1	1
England,	2	2	2	28	12	9
Finland,	—	—	—	4	—	—
France,	—	1	1	2	4	1
Germany,	—	—	—	12	3	2
Guernsey Islands,	—	—	—	—	1	—
Georgia,	—	—	—	3	—	—
Ireland,	10	18	19	140	109	104
Italy,	1	—	—	10	3	3
Illinois,	—	—	—	2	—	—
Maine,	1	1	—	7	2	1
Maryland,	—	—	1	—	—	1
Massachusetts,	23	4	2	213	23	19
Minnesota,	—	—	—	1	—	—
Montana,	—	—	—	1	—	—
New Hampshire,	4	—	1	10	5	4
New York,	1	—	—	17	2	2
New Jersey,	—	—	—	2	—	—
New Brunswick,	—	—	—	2	—	—
Newfoundland,	—	—	—	—	—	1
North Carolina,	—	1	—	—	1	—
Norway,	1	—	—	1	—	—
Nova Scotia,	—	—	1	12	6	6
Ohio,	1	—	—	2	—	—
Poland,	—	—	—	4	—	—
Pennsylvania,	1	1	1	5	1	1
Prince Edward Island,	—	—	—	3	2	1
Prussia,	—	—	—	2	1	1
Rhode Island,	1	—	—	5	1	1
Sweden,	—	—	—	8	2	2
Scotland,	1	2	1	10	3	5
South Carolina,	—	—	—	1	1	—
Spain,	—	—	—	1	—	—
Vermont,	1	1	2	7	2	3
Virginia,	1	3	3	7	4	4
Washington, D. C.,	1	—	—	2	—	—
West Indies,	—	—	—	1	1	1
Wisconsin,	—	—	—	1	—	—
Unknown,	3	23	23	74	442	455
Totals,	62	62	62	639	639	639

No. 4. — *Occupation of Persons received during the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897, and since the Opening of the Asylum, Sept. 14, 1886.*

OCCUPATIONS.	RECEIVED.		OCCUPATIONS.	RECEIVED.	
	During the Year.	Since Sept. 14, 1886.		During the Year.	Since Sept. 14, 1886.
Actor, . . .	—	1	Lathers, . . .	—	2
Auctioneer, . . .	—	1	Longshoremen, . . .	—	2
Book-binder, . . .	1	1	Merchants, . . .	—	3
Bootblack, . . .	—	1	Music teacher, . . .	—	1
Brickmaker, . . .	—	1	Mill operatives, . . .	4	30
Blacksmiths, . . .	—	9	Mill owner, . . .	—	1
Barbers, . . .	—	5	Masons, . . .	1	6
Butchers, . . .	1	2	Machinists, . . .	1	12
Barenders, . . .	—	2	Marble workers, . . .	—	3
Bakers, . . .	—	5	Match maker, . . .	—	1
Book agent, . . .	—	1	Mechanics, . . .	1	3
Brushmaker, . . .	—	1	Messenger boy, . . .	—	1
Chairmaker, . . .	—	1	Moulder, . . .	—	1
Carpenters, . . .	1	11	None, . . .	1	5
Cigarmakers, . . .	1	3	Night watchman, . . .	—	1
Curriers, . . .	—	5	Oil finisher, . . .	—	1
Clergyman, . . .	—	1	Plumbers, . . .	—	3
Coopers, . . .	—	2	Painters, carriage, . . .	1	3
Cooks, . . .	—	3	Painters, house, . . .	3	11
Carriage maker, . . .	—	1	Piano finishers, . . .	—	2
Confectioners, . . .	—	2	Peddlers, . . .	—	4
Cabinetmakers, . . .	—	2	Porters, . . .	—	2
Cab driver, . . .	—	1	Printer, . . .	—	1
Clerks, . . .	1	10	Picture framer, . . .	—	1
Dyers, . . .	—	2	Railroad employees, . . .	—	2
Engineers, . . .	—	2	Spring maker, . . .	—	1
Engraver, . . .	—	1	Sailors, . . .	2	13
Expressman, . . .	—	1	Shovel maker, . . .	—	1
Farmers, . . .	6	31	Servant, . . .	—	1
Firemen, . . .	—	3	Scrivener, . . .	—	1
Fishermen, . . .	—	3	Stone cutters, . . .	—	9
Gardener, . . .	1	1	Saloon keeper, . . .	—	1
Glass blowers, . . .	—	2	Shoemakers, . . .	3	34
Glazier, . . .	—	1	Tailors, . . .	—	6
Gilder, . . .	—	1	Teamsters, . . .	2	9
Hostlers, . . .	1	11	Telegraph operator, . . .	1	1
Hatter, . . .	—	1	Varnisher, . . .	—	1
Harness maker, . . .	—	1	Wire-mill worker, . . .	—	1
Horse dealer, . . .	—	1	Wood turner, . . .	—	1
Jeweller, . . .	—	1	Waiters, . . .	4	7
Junk dealers, . . .	—	2	Wood carver, . . .	—	1
Lodging-house keeper, . . .	—	1	Unknown, . . .	5	143
Laundryman, . . .	—	1			
Laborers, . . .	20	167	Totals, . . .	62	639

No 5.— *Civil Condition of Persons received during the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897, and since the Opening of the Asylum, Sept. 14, 1886.*

CIVIL CONDITION.	RECEIVED.	
	During the Year.	Since Sept. 14, 1886.
Married,	12	191
Single,	40	384
Unknown,	10	64
Totals,	62	639

No. 6.— *Received on First and Subsequent Admissions during the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897, and since the Opening of the Asylum, Sept. 14, 1886.*

NUMBER OF THE ADMISSIONS.	ADMISSIONS.	
	During the Year.	Since Sept. 14, 1886.
First,	62	639
Second,	—	12
Third,	—	1
Total of cases,	62	652
Total of persons,	62	639

No. 7.— *Relations to Hospitals of Persons received during the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897, and since the Opening of the Asylum, Sept. 14, 1886.*

HOSPITAL RELATIONS.	RECEIVED.	
	During the Year.	Since Sept. 14, 1886.
Never before in any hospital for the insane, . . .	26	120
Former inmates of other hospitals only, . . .	8	449
Former inmates of this asylum only, . . .	—	—
Former inmates of this asylum and other hospitals.	—	12
Unknown,	28	58
Total of persons,	62	639

No. 8. — *Number of Patients received from the Several State Institutions for the Insane and directly from Penal Institutions and the Courts during the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897, and since the Opening of the Asylum, Sept. 14, 1886.*

	RECEIVED.	
	During the Year.	Since Sept. 14, 1886.
From Worcester Lunatic Hospital,	—	205
From Worcester Insane Asylum,		28
From Taunton Lunatic Hospital,	1	105
From Danvers Lunatic Hospital,	—	54
From Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	1	27
From Westborough Lunatic Hospital,	—	32
From State Farm, Pauper Department,	2	37
From State Farm, Prison Department,	15	82
From State Prison,	14	18
From Massachusetts Reformatory,	2	4
From the Courts,	2	4
From Houses of Correction,	25	49
Returned to the Asylum by order of the Board of Lunacy and Charity,	—	2
Returned from elopements and given new numbers,	—	5
Total admissions,	62	652

No. 9. — *Forms of Mental Disease in Cases admitted or discharged, with Condition on Discharge, for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897.*

FORM OF DISEASE.	Cases Admitted.	CASES DISCHARGED.					
		Recovered.	Much Improved.	Improved.	Unimproved.	Not Insane.	Died.
Mania, acute,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
chronic,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
recurrent,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Melancholia, acute,	8	1	-	-	1	-	-
chronic,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
recurrent,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute confusional insanity,	3	1	-	-	-	-	1
Dementia, primary,	2	-	-	-	1	-	1
secondary,	5	-	-	-	2	-	7
senile,	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Epilepsy,	2	-	-	-	-	-	1
General paralysis,	7	-	-	-	-	-	3
Hypochondriacal insanity,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alcoholic insanity,	9	2	2	1	-	-	-
Delirium tremens,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congenital mental deficiency,	7	-	-	-	5	-	1
Feigned insanity,	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
Chronic delusional insanity,	10	-	-	-	1	-	6
Adolescent insanity,	1	2	-	-	-	-	2
Total of cases,	62	6	2	1	10	3	15
Total of persons,	62	6	2	1	10	3	15
							37
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No. 10. — *Recoveries, classified by Duration of Disease and of Treatment for the Year ending Sept 30, 1897.*

PERIOD.	LAST ATTACK.			ALL ATTACKS.	
	Duration before Admission.	Hospital Residence.	Whole Duration from the Attack.	Whole Known Period of Mental Disease.	Whole Known Period of Hospital Residence.
Insane : —					
Congenital,	—	—	—	—	—
Under 1 month,	3	1	—	—	1
From 1 to 3 months,	1	—	1	1	—
3 to 6 months,	—	1	1	—	—
6 to 12 months,	1	3	2	2	3
1 to 2 years,	—	—	1	1	—
2 to 5 years,	1	1	1	2	2
Unknown,	—	—	—	—	—
Totals,	6	6	6	6	6
Average of known cases (in months),	9.3	12.4	14	20.3	18.6

No. 11. — *Deaths, classified by Duration of Disease and Treatment, for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897.*

PERIOD.	LAST ATTACK.			ALL ATTACKS.	
	Duration before Admission.	Hospital Residence.	Whole Duration from the Attack.	Whole Known Period of Mental Disease.	Whole Known Period of Hospital Residence.
Insane : —					
Congenital,	1	—	1	—	—
Under 1 month,	—	—	—	—	—
From 1 to 3 months,	—	—	—	—	—
3 to 6 months,	—	1	—	—	—
6 to 12 months,	1	2	—	—	—
1 to 2 years,	1	1	1	1	2
2 to 5 years,	5	2	1	1	1
5 to 10 years,	5	5	3	3	3
10 to 20 years,	2	4	7	7	7
20 to 30 years,	—	—	1	1	1
30 to 40 years,	—	—	1	2	1
Unknown,	—	—	—	—	—
Totals,	15	15	15	15	15
Average of known cases (in months),	97.1	86.3	182.	182	155.2

No. 12. — *Causes of Death of Those who died during the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897, and since the Opening of the Asylum, Sept. 14, 1886.*

CAUSES OF DEATH.	DIED.		CAUSES OF DEATH.	DIED.	
	During the Year.	Since Sept. 14, 1886.		During the Year.	Since Sept. 14, 1886.
Cerebral apoplexy, .	2	8	Entero-colitis, . .	1	1
Valvular disease of heart, . . .	2	8	Adenitis, . . .	—	1
Phthisis, . . .	1	57	Interstitial nephritis,	1	2
General paralysis, .	3	15	Intestinal obstruction,	—	1
Status epilepticus, .	—	1	Tuberculosis, . .	—	2
Suffocation, accidental,	—	1	Heart failure, . .	—	2
Fracture of femur, .	—	1	Tubercular meningitis, . . .	1	2
Pneumonia, . . .	1	3	Bright's disease, .	—	1
Debility, . . .	—	2	Suicide, . . .	1	4
Epilepsy, . . .	1	6	Pyelitis, . . .	—	1
Ilio-colitis, . . .	—	1	Hepatitis, . . .	—	1
Cancer of liver, . .	—	1	Hæmoptysis, . . .	—	1
Epithelioma, . . .	—	1	Gastric ulcer, . .	—	1
Internal hæmorrhage,	—	1	Totals, . . .	15	127
Erysipelas, . . .	1	1			

No. 13. — *Number of Each Year's Admissions since the Opening of the Asylum, Sept. 14, 1886, with the Discharges and Deaths from Each Year's Admissions, for the Whole Period, and within the Official Year, and the Number of Each Year's Admissions remaining Sept. 30, 1897.*

	YEARS ENDING SEPT. 30.	Admitted.	YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1897.			SINCE SEPT. 14, 1886.			Remaining of Each Year's Admissions Sept. 30, 1897.		
			Discharged.	Died.	Total.	Discharged.	Died.	Total.			
1886,	0	2	2	14	22	36	14
1887,	-	4	4	17	36	53	54
1888,	-	1	1	6	7	13	9
1889,	-	-	-	7	3	10	6
1890,	-	1	1	9	5	14	5
1891,	-	1	1	25	23	48	50
1892,	-	1	1	24	13	37	23
1893,	2	1	3	15	4	19	9
1894,	-	-	-	18	9	27	28
1895,	1	1	2	23	1	24	11
1896,	11	2	13	34	3	37	63
1897,	8	1	9	8	1	9	53
Totals,	22	15	37	200	127	327	325

No. 14 — *Relations to Penal Institutions and the Courts of the Criminal Cases received during the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897, and since the Opening of the Asylum, Sept. 14, 1886.*

	RECEIVED.	
	During the Year.	Since Sept. 14, 1886.
State Prison cases,	14	88
House of Correction cases,	25	204
Massachusetts Reformatory cases,	2	20
State Farm prison cases,	15	82
"Court cases,"*	3	66
Totals,	59	460

* The so-called "court cases,"—those committed in accordance with section 15 of chapter 213 and sections 16, 19 and 20 of chapter 214 of the Public Statutes.

No. 15. — *Showing Crimes committed by Insane Criminals received during the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897, and since the Opening of the Asylum, Sept. 14, 1886.*

CRIMES.	During the Year.	Since Sept. 14, 1886.	CRIMES.	During the Year.	Since Sept. 14, 1886.
Abuse of female child,	1	1	Disturbing the peace,	—	5
Adultery,	1	1	Drunkenness,	5	24
Arson,	—	7	Exposure,	—	3
Assault,	1	59	Having in possession a dangerous weapon,	—	1
Assault to rape,	—	4	Keeping a disorderly house,	1	3
Assault to rob,	—	1	Larceny,	7	34
Assault to kill,	6	9	Lewdness,	—	3
Assault upon female child,	1	1	Libel,	—	1
Assault with dangerous weapon,	1	4	Malicious mischief,	—	1
Attempt to break and enter,	1	3	Manslaughter,	1	9
Bestiality,	—	1	Murder,	1	27
Bigamy,	—	1	Non-support of family,	1	3
Breaking and entering,	7	60	Rape,	—	9
Breaking and entering and larceny,	4	6	Robbery,	1	8
Burning barns,	—	2	Sodomy,	—	4
Burglary,	—	3	Stealing,	—	2
Common drunkard,	—	32	Stoning railroad trains,	—	1
Conspiracy,	—	1	Stubbornness,	1	1
Counterfeiting,	—	1	Vagrancy,	18	101
Cutting wood in public park,	—	1	Unknown,	—	20
Desecrating cemetery,	—	1			
Disorderly,	—	1	Totals,	59	460

No. 16.— *Showing the Movement of the Convict and Court Cases for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1897.*

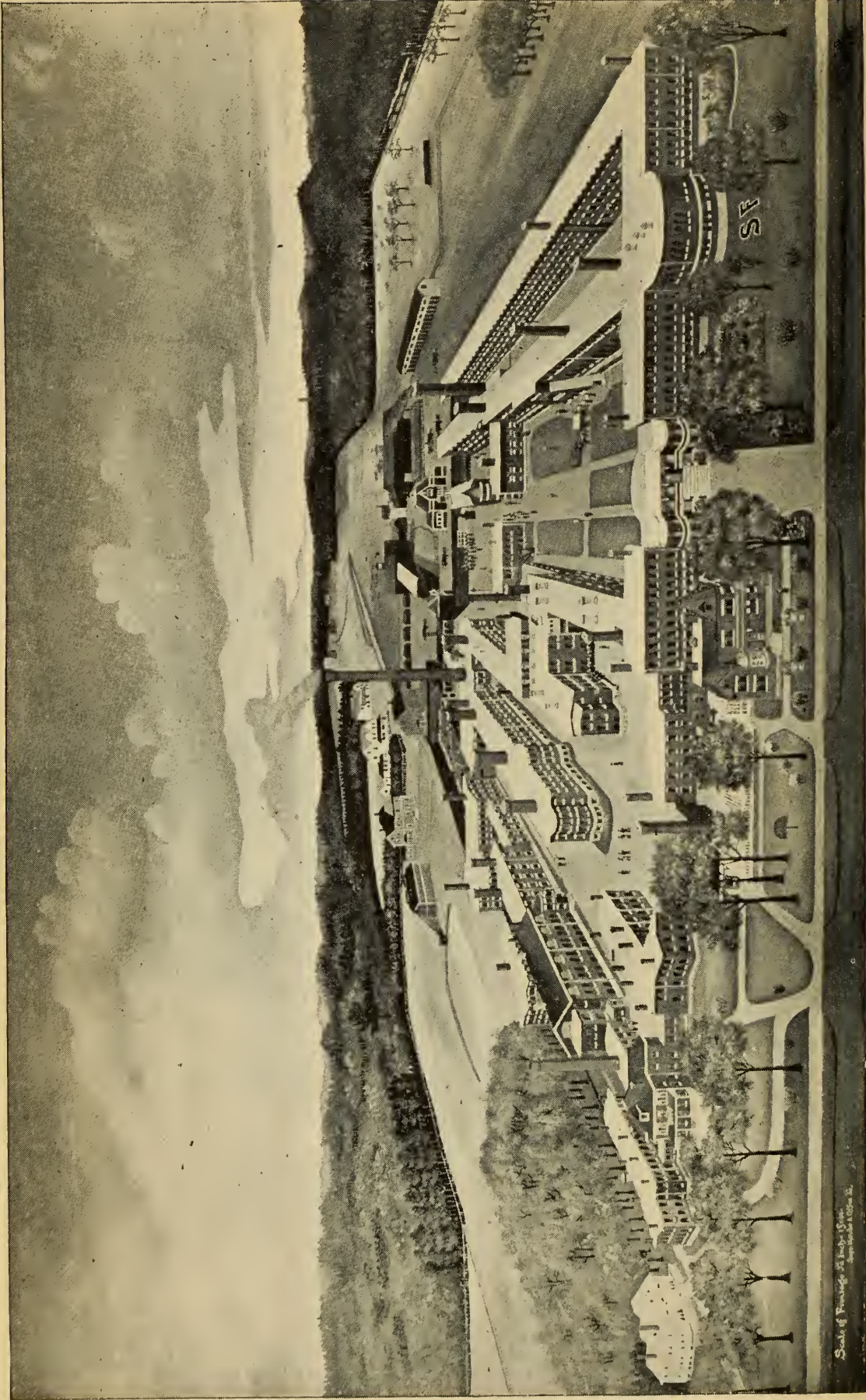
	Remaining Oct. 1, 1896.	Received during the Year.	Discharged* during the Year.	Remaining Sept. 30, 1897.
State Prison cases, . . .	42	14	1	55
House of Correction cases, .	99	25	13	111
Massachusetts Reformatory cases,	6	2	1	7
State Farm Prison cases, .	19	15	7	27
"Court" cases,	46	3	8	41
Totals,	212	59	30	241

* By death and otherwise.

No. 17.— *Relations to Sentences of the Criminal Cases Remaining Sept. 30, 1897.*

Undergoing 1 to 3 months sentence,	—
Undergoing 3 to 6 months sentence,	—
Undergoing 6 to 12 months sentence,	6
Undergoing 1 to 2 years sentence,	5
Undergoing 2 to 5 years sentence,	14
Undergoing 5 to 10 years sentence,	16
Undergoing 10 to 15 years sentence,	3
Undergoing 15 to 20 years sentence,	2
Undergoing 20 to 25 years sentence,	3
Undergoing 25 to 30 years sentence,	—
Undergoing 30 to 35 years sentence,	1
Undergoing indeterminate sentence,	1
Undergoing life sentence,	10
"Court" cases,	41
Sentences expired,	137
Unascertained,	2
Total,	241

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